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By Facsimile

The Honorable Robert W. Sweet United States District Court Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street, Room 1920

New York, New York 10007



Re:

United States v. Phillip Ouintero

07 Cr. 460 (RWS)

Dear Judge Sweet:

The Government respectfully submits this letter to request that the Court set this matter down for a guilty plea on February 19, 2008. The case was originally scheduled for a pretrial conference on January 15, 2008. However, Daniel Nobel, Esq., counsel to the defendant, is currently engaged in a trial in the Eastern District of New York. Prior to the scheduled conference, Mr. Nobel advised the Government that the defendant intends to plead guilty. Mr. Nobel has also asked the Government to prepare a plea agreement. The Government anticipates providing the defendant with a plea agreement by the end of this week. Mr. Nobel consents to the exclusion of time under the Speedy Trial Act from today until February 9, 2008.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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